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MARRIAGE.

On May 18th, at Shanghai, JAMES RANDALL, ANGLICAN, to MARY AUGUSTA TOLLE.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 24TH, 1906.

To suggest that the Newtonian theory of the universe is not well founded is an introduction startling enough for any book; and coming as it does between the covers of a little book published at Tokyo, of all places, its apparent presumption may tempt many people to treat it with undeserved contempt. Yet none who read the Rev. JOSEPH COSANS' "New Theory of the Universe", just published, will deny that he has synthesized a very fascinating hypothesis. Experts may be expected to test his invention to this soon enough; we will try in the short space at our disposal to give an outline of what this decidedly original theory is.

The author objects right away to the first law of motion, that a body set in motion will continue to move for ever in a straight line, stating that "if the atmosphere surrounding the earth is an obstruction to bodies moving through it, eventually overcoming their momentum and causing them to fall to the earth, one cannot see why the matter known as ether, a substance throughout interplanetary and interstellar space, does not in some degree hinder the planets in their sidereal rotations and cause them to lose their centrifugal force". Regarding this stoppage as inevitable under the law cited, he advances the proposition that "a body can acquire motion (velocity)

only by means of atomic oscillation through energy transmitted to the atoms by applied force; and a body in motion will come to rest as soon as its atoms cease their vibrations". It is premised that ether, like everything else, has energy imparted to and through it atom by atom, the impulse ceasing at the point where the molecules come to rest; and that if so, the term centrifugal force as applied to planetary motions is a misnomer. Then he says that there is one motion of the planets which astronomers seem to have left out of their calculations when fitting solar phenomena with laws—that is, their progress in a line parallel with the sun's path through space. This and all other phenomena, he claims, are explained by the new theory.

Coming to the energy, it is premised that heat is the only energy-producing force, in matter, of which we have any knowledge. Heat and light cannot be transmitted save by some atomic medium, capable of compression and expansion. Here the universal ether, premised comes in. We are asked to picture the sun and all its satellites at rest, cold and dark, in the ætherial ocean. The sun is fired up. (Being a person, the author naturally promises to lead us to the First Cause in a subsequent volume.) The atmosphere round the sun begins to expand; the natural attack of cold ether upon hot ether breeds solar cyclones of a terrible magnitude. By and by the ponderous orb itself catches the momentum from its ætherial envelope, and begins to turn on its axis. One layer of ether acting upon another, the envelope grows bigger and bigger, and becomes a ball of ætherial matter millions and millions of miles in diameter, revolving upon its axis. Being so gaseous, and the power and solidity being central, the remoter envelopes, so to speak, has a somewhat slower velocity than the whirling nucleus. The whole sphere, nucleus and envelopes, flattens at the poles; and the denser gases naturally make their escape at these points of less resistance, where the envelope is presumably thinner. A funnel-shaped axis is produced, round which the moving and harder pressed atmosphere travels. There is a steady flow of cold ether from the circumference towards the centre, which circles, until sucked in at the furnace mouth. Here we have a huge ætherial whirlpool, in which the planets float. Neptune, on the outside, floats round at a slower pace than does the Earth, whose orbit is nearer the solar vortex. This system of concentric currents explains the axial rotations of the floating planets. Now why are these not drawn into the vortex? Because, of course, the central ether of this huge whirlpool is denser than the circumferential, and there is a regular gradation of density in the intermediate matter. This density, it is carefully explained, is produced, not by "gravitation", but by the pressure and momentum of the centralward movement. So each planet floats no nearer than the orbit where the ætherial density corresponds to its own; "just as bodies thrown into the sea float in the sea-strata in positions corresponding with their densities". So far as astronomers have ascertained, the densities of the various heavenly bodies, relative to their distances from the sun, bear this out. The eccentricity of the earth is explained by its struggles to remain in its current of appropriate density; its own atmosphere growing denser as it is drawn in, and less dense as it floats out, in sympathy with the section of solar atmosphere in which it finds itself. The density of the earth nucleus does not change perceptibly. Being in the solar envelope, all the planets naturally follow the sun in its advance towards the constellation Hercules. It must not be supposed that the author jumps from point to point as we have done; we have omitted the dovetailed calculations and illustrations for the sake of brevity. For the same reason we must ignore his very interesting list of subsidiary considerations, at least for the present. One, that tides are pushed by the sun, and not pulled by the moon as we understand them to be, may be returned to later.

In German South Africa, the chief Moronga was arrested by the police.

Of 24 plague cases recorded yesterday sixteen were fatal. The last case was numbered 367.

The Kaiser was to have attended the obsequies of Princess Frederick Charles on May 18th, leaving his family at Wiesbaden.

Although the typhoon did not pass near Hongkong its effects were felt by several ships coming from the Philippines, notably the *Rubi* and the *Yuesong*, both of which experienced a rough time on Monday and were delayed in consequence.

Mr. Oliver, Commissioner of Customs at Nanking, has been deputed by the Chinese Government to make the arrangements for a foreign settlement at Mukden.

The American Senate has passed the naval appropriation bill, but whether the appropriation is more generous than usual is not yet reported. The naval authorities claim that they are dangerously ill-equipped at present.

The General Commercial Guild of Changsha propose that as soon as Tls. 1,000,000 have been subscribed, they will begin to build the section of the Canton-Hankow railway from Changsha to Shanghai, a distance of 90 li.

According to the *Nanfangpao* a memorial has been presented to the Throne by the Board of Education, recommending the sending to Japan of all the newly-appointed Superintendents of Education for three months' study prior to taking up their appointments.

The Manila *Cablenews* reports the first typhoon of the season on the 17th inst. It destroyed about fifteen of the large fish corals or reefs outside the breakwater. It is estimated that the financial loss involved will be from P40,000 to P60,000. Shipping escaped injury, but it was supposed that the northern provinces must have suffered severely.

Under the title of "The fatal decline" *L'Echo de Tonkin* comments on the decrease of receipts as indicated in the budget general for Indo-China for the month of March. The receipts have declined by 332,824 piastres when compared with the corresponding month of last year, while the three months January, February and March show a deficit of 1,735,972 piastres.

Mr. W. B. Byers, one of the founders of the Shanghai Marine Engineers' Institute for Black Squad Club and for many years secretary and manager, is going home. The members presented him with an illuminated address and a cheque for his really worked wonders for this popular and useful institute during thirteen years of office, and the best memorial was quite spontaneous.

Prior to the departure of Sir Ernest Satow from Peking, Tang Shaoyi, Vice-President of the Waiwupu, agreed with him upon the retrocession of Weihaiwei to China. One of the conditions was that China should refund to Great Britain all the expenses the latter had incurred in fortifying Weihaiwei and Lin-yungto, and another that China should not lease Weihaiwei to any other Power without the consent of Great Britain. This is a native report.

A Tientsin dispatch reports that a large body of mounted bandits suddenly made their appearance recently at a colliery in Hsich'in, in the district of Chao-yang, just outside the Great Wall, and coolly began to take possession of the place after defeating the guard of Chinese troops stationed at the mine for its protection and the protection of the foreign employees there. Reinforcements are being sent by the Governor of Jehu Territory, in whose jurisdiction the mine is. No foreigners are reported to be hurt as yet.

It appears that the Shanghai Municipal police have orders to prosecute Chinese gamblers at all times except race week, when it would seem too invidious. A dead set is being made at the Council by some reformers, who object to this temporary relaxation. One correspondent of a Shanghai paper writes that "public gambling under similar circumstances was allowed to go on at Hongkong until it became a public nuisance, when the authorities stepped in and enforced the ordinances, and the situation was visibly changed. Why cannot the Council here do the same?"

A Tokyo dispatch states that, acting under private instructions from the authorities, the Governors of various Prefectures now in Tokyo have addressed communications to the mayors of cities and heads of districts in their respective prefectures, informing them that the Credit Mobilier, Limited, was prepared to introduce foreign money for advancing to public corporations. The recipients of these communications are requested to report without delay on the amount and the rate of interest of foreign loans already negotiated, or about to be negotiated by corporations.

The special correspondent of the *Echo de Paris* at Rome reports that the Italian War Office is actively engaged in fortifying the exit of the Simpano tunnel. The plans for these works, which have been drawn up by Generals Pescari and Poncetti and the Duke of Aosta, provide for the construction of galleries at Isella, Barze, and Prevali d'Ossola, and of forts for mines to be placed at various points above the tunnel, the mining of the Napoleon road and the surveying of an important military route at Trasquera in the valley of the Diveria, for the mobile defence of the pass. The military importance of this route was recognised by the Romans and Dukes of Milan.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. Aitkin and Officers, the Band of the 118th Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday, the 24th May, 1906 (weather permitting):—
March—"The Queen's Guard."—Williams.
Overture—"Light Cavalry."—Strauss.
Waltz—"Soleil d'Or."—Strauss.
Selection—"The Orchid."—Monckton.
Gaiety Song—"Eileen Aishamh."—Thomas.
Patrol—"The London Brigade."—Yalden.
Dinner Music—"Hos d'Or"—Scott.
Egg on Toast.—Peppe.—Yellow Pea and Egg Tea.
Fish—Holland and Butter Sauce.
Entrée—Sauté of Pig-on, Lamb Chops Cutlets and Green Beans, Chicken a la Pic, Curry—Kabob, Joins.
Roast Australian Kibbs of Beef and Horse Radish Sauce, Roast Carrot and Ham. Cold Meats.
Leg of Mutton and Corned Tongue, Salad.
Macedoine, Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Fried Potatoes, Lima Beans, Sweet Corn, and Boiled Rice.
Pudding—Pudding, Strawberry Ice Cream and Ginger Cake, Jam Tarts, Fruit Cheese, Tea, Coffee, Preserved Ginger.

As announced in our advertising columns, the German Netherlands Telegraph Company has opened a new direct telegraphic communication to Netherlands Indies and America. Messages to be forwarded by this route are acceptable in all telegraph stations in China and Hongkong.

Our Macao correspondent hastens to inform us that little more is known there, of the political situation in Portugal, than was suggested by our telegram announcing the new Premier. The "Regenerador-Liberals" are now "up", which we take to mean the Radicals are in. The ministerial ups and downs are supposed to be connected with some trouble over a Tobacco Monopoly.

The *Nanfangpao* of May 18th states that the British Charge d'Affaires has informed the Waiwupu that British engineers are coming to China to begin the survey of the railway from Shanghai to Chinkiang, and that Commissioner Lockhart of Weihaiwei has been appointed to proceed to Chinkiang to arrange with the Shantung Governor regarding the construction of the line.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The following additional ties have been played since our last report, in connection with the Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament:—
Championship: second round—R. F. C. Master beat T. E. Pearce, 6-3, 6-1, 6-2; Third round—T. B. Norris beat A. Boyd, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1; R. F. C. Master beat F. C. Zehrmann, 6-3, 6-3, 6-5, 1-6, 6-2. The final in this event rests between Messrs. Master and Norris. Whoever wins must then play Mr. H. Pinckney, last year's champion.

Single Handicap ("A" class): Second round—T. E. Pearce beat Dr. Koch, 6-3, 6-3; E. Humphreys beat a walk-over from P. Guenouf. Third round—T. B. Norris beat T. E. Pearce, 6-1, 7-5; R. Macpherson beat E. Humphreys, 6-4, 6-1; R. B. Beattie beat R. D. Atkinson, 6-3, 9-7. Fourth round—T. B. Norris beat A. Boyd, 6-1, 6-1; R. Macpherson beat R. B. Beattie, 9-7, 6-1.

Single Handicap ("B" class): Third round—C. C. Rutledge beat R. M. Baskin, 6-2, 6-4; O. C. O'Brien beat H. M. Kendall, 6-4, 6-3. Fourth round—C. C. Rutledge beat A. O. Brown, 6-1, 7-5.

Double Handicap: Third round—H. R. Phillips and F. C. Zehrmann beat Drs. Koch and Swan, 6-3, 6-4; Captain Carter and R. Macpherson beat T. C. Gray and C. C. O'Brien, 6-0, 6-2; A. W. J. Peake and F. O. Davies beat Wei On and A. R. Carre, 9-7, 6-2; R. Henderson and T. E. Pearce beat W. O. D. Turner and E. A. Ram, 15-13, 6-2, 6-2; P. K. Kynett and T. B. Norris beat O. C. O'Brien and D. E. Clarke, 6-1, 6-2; R. B. Beattie and G. W. Fullidge beat R. D. Atkinson and G. E. Morrell, 6-3, 6-4; H. W. Woodward and L. A. Whyte beat G. A. Hastings and R. J. C. Master, 10-8, 6-3; J. L. Macpherson and C. C. Rutledge beat S. G. Panton and J. H. Chalmers, 6-0, 6-1. Fourth round—R. Henderson and T. E. Pearce beat A. W. J. Peake and F. O. Davies, 6-3, 7-6, 6-4.

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As there has been no cause of complaint as regards the weather, the tournament committee expect all ties to be played off to-day.

BIRTHS AT MANILA.

The following touching reference to the Manila birthrate is from the *Cablenews*:—"If Roosevelt could know the facts he would grow even stronger in his admiration for the work being done by Americans in the Philippines. He would find here an object lesson in the battle against race suicide which would warm the cooiles of his strenuous heart." The story is going along Manila these days in a hundred horse-power automobile. On every side he leaves his footling little burdens. The daily papers seldom fail to record the visit of the Rooseveltian bird to the family of some well-known American. Doctors, lawyers, government officials, business men—all seem to be treated alike. There is no boycott on any condition of life. Almost every other man one meets in the street makes mysterious references to an impending event, asks congratulations, or talks with a strained effort at nonchalance of the baby and how it is getting along. It is said that the white clubs and other morning gatherings grow smaller and smaller, and that the talk even at these staid circles of hotel subjects and bands of flunkeys. This is all too serious and too delightful for pleasanties. It means that Americans mean business here; that they are pursuing the even tenor of their way, unappalled by heat, typhoons, lack of fresh vegetables or other meteorological or dietetic changes from their routine. It means that the American mother reigns as supreme here as in the Homeland, and that the most powerful safeguard on the character of men and women seeking to do a great work in the tropics, is being thrown about the homes of Americans here. Welcome the stock.

RIVAL INTERESTS IN TIBET.

The Vice-Imperial Resident of Lhasa, whose headquarters are at Nishing, in Kanan province, has reported to the Waiwupu that the Russian officials on the Mongolian frontiers having signified their intention to send a military officer with forty Cossacks to act as an escort for the Dalai Lama when he leaves Lhasa for Lassa, the British authorities in India have now stated their intention to send a similar force to the Kanan-Tibet borders to receive the Buddhist Pontiff when he enters Tibet, and escort him to Lhasa. The Waiwupu, accordingly, is urged by the Vice-Imperial Resident to ask the British and Russian Governments to abstain from sending the escorts in question, as the Dalai Lama will be safe enough from harm under the protection of the Chinese guards which will be furnished him in deference to his high position. At the same time the Emperor is asked to issue a peremptory Rescript commanding the Dalai Lama to delay no longer his return to Lhasa under pain of severe Imperial displeasure.—*A.C. Daily News.*

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THE I. M. C.

SIR ROBERT HART'S RETIREMENT.

Opinion is still divided on the question of whether Sir Robert Hart has been superseded or not. Many journals hold the opinion that on the face of it the Chinese are trying to eliminate the foreign influence. The ambition is probable enough, but we cannot dismiss the reflection that it would be a move too impudent even for Peking.

The Foreign Ministers held a conference at the Italian Legation on the 19th inst. The following explanation from the Waiwupu is subtle: The Waiwupu addressed the Diplomatic Corps in Peking on the 11th inst., stating that owing to the infirmity of Sir Robert Hart, the time for his retirement had arrived, and the Government could not appoint another man in his place without fearing complications. Hence the appointment of the two Chinese Commissioners.

The *Nanfangpao*'s explanation is less caustic:

"It is reported that Their Majesties the Empress Dowager and the Emperor have granted the application of Sir Robert Hart to resign his appointment as Inspector-General of I. M. Customs, in order to enable him to return home to pass his declining years." This was the reason for the appointment of two Chinese Commissioners of Customs to fill the post vacated by him. Similarly Chinese Commissioners will be appointed over the Imperial Postal Service to fill the vacancy left by Sir Robert Hart. The same paper states that Their Excellencies T'ieh Liang and Tang Shao-yi will soon establish a Customs Department in Peking, to facilitate the control over the Customs service.

Papirs in Tientsin and Japan consider the excuses for the Chinese appointments a flimsy. The British, American, Italian, and Japanese Ministers have addressed further notes to the Waiwupu with regard to the appointment of the Chinese High Commissioners of Customs. Chinese Government bonds secured by the Customs revenue have dropped in value in Europe and America. The Ministers request the Chinese Government to annul the appointments.

The well informed Chinese correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* says that owing to the misapprehension of the Ministers of the various Powers in Peking as to the reason of the recent appointment to the Customs the Waiwupu has instructed the Chinese Ministers accredited to the various governments of Europe and America to call upon the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, explaining the steps taken by the Chinese Government in the matter. That is to say that the appointments were made to simplify matters brought about by the resignation of Sir Robert Hart while at the same time the *status quo* relating to the machinery of the Customs service will continue to be observed.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

We have been favoured with the following report, dated New York, April 30th, and the Corporation's seventh semi-annual statement, that of December 30, 1905, which follows:—"The uncertainty attending the final stages of the Russo-Japanese war and the unsettled currency condition in the Straits Settlements, made it advisable for us to carry on our Oriental business with extreme caution, and the branches were therefore obliged somewhat to curtail their transactions with a corresponding decrease of profit, but meanwhile we have been steadily building up our resources at the various points and are now established in the Philippines, Hongkong, Shanghai, Japan and the Straits Settlements. The Corporation has now no office which does not either earn on its own account a fair profit or otherwise render service indispensable to the Corporation as a whole. The half year under review is the first for which this statement could be made.

Our temporary premises in China and Japan having become too small for the volume of our business, we were obliged to obtain larger and more suitable offices in Hongkong, and in the course of the next few months our Yokohama Branch will be moved into a floor secured in a building now nearing completion. We are also in treaty for offices in a new building in Shanghai where we have outgrown our present premises.

The building, Sixty, Wall Street, in which your Corporation is interested, was opened less than a year ago and is well occupied, its tenants being drawn mainly from the professions of law and engineering. The Wall Street Station of the New York Post Office occupies the ground floor, and several large business concerns have leased offices in the upper floors. From the first of May the building will earn a net income over all charges and may be expected, in addition to providing good quarters for the Corporation, to show a fair profit on your investment during the present year.

The business of The International Bank of New York has increased and in the latter part of 1905 its capital was raised from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000, the new stock being taken up by your corporation. It is earning a profit and will begin paying dividends in the present year.

The Board express their acknowledgments to the officers and employees for their fidelity and efficiency during the year.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. HUBBARD, President.

ASSETS.		
Deposits and Advances	\$1,099,435.27	
Time Loans	1,019,529.60	
Bonds and Stocks	4,482,101.15	
Commercial Credits	3,348,655.94	
Real Estate	6,023,237.16	
Furniture and Fixtures (less 10 per cent. Depreciation semi-annually)	81,490.23	
Bullion and Remittances in transit	8,795,775.23	
Dividend Payable April 10, 1906	449,314.06	
Cash on hand and in Local Depositories	4,674,139.87	
	\$24,001,709.49	
LIABILITIES.		
Capital	\$3,250,000.00	
Surplus	3,250,000.00	
Profit and Loss	198,080.00	
Dividend Payable April 10, 1906	45,000.00	
Acceptances, Bills and Drafts on and Payable by Branches and Correspondents, and against Bills Receivable or Brought in transit	13,603,754.21	
Due Banks and Bankers	1,924,335.28	
Deposits, Time	3,214,376.92	
Deposits, Demand	9,493,616.09	
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12. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

TELEPHONE No. 135

BABY SCREAMED DAY AND NIGHT

It is a matter for congratulation that the American representative of the United States State Department is represented in China by a corps of consular officials who have complete control of American interests in that country. This is a gratifying contrast to the conditions which prevailed a few years ago, amid conditions which became so intolerable to American business interests that an investigation by the State Department was conducted which resulted in a thorough re-organizing of the consular corps of the United States involving the removal of several consuls (General and Consul). The effect of this reorganization of the consular corps has been apparent to the business men of the country, in the increase of our trade with China, and it has been welcomed with becoming enthusiasm all over the country. Our consular service in China to-day is one of which the nation may feel justly proud, and upon the efficiency of which depends to a great extent the success of our trade with all the adverse countries.

The United States has an immense advantage in the Chinese market, in comparison with the Germans and other European trade seekers, on account of the shorter freight haul required to

the delivery of goods, and this advantage will be enhanced, so far as firms on the Atlantic coast are concerned, after the completion of the Panama Canal, which will open a path from the Atlantic to the Pacific, without the necessity

doubling Cape Horn. Moreover, the United States is a foremost producer of cotton goods and other commodities which constitute the bulk of the purchases made by the Chinese from the outside world. Finally, the knowledge of the

Chinese language, which is all but necessary for trade intercourse with Oriental merchants, presents a barrier which is not found in any other market where American-made goods are sold on a large scale. From these briefly outlined

facts, which are by no means all the factors in the case, a ready appreciation can be formed of the necessity of having American trade interests beyond the Pacific looked after by intelligent and energetic consuls, who will be able to take the conditions and needs of the various countries into account.

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WEATHER REPORT.

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Forecast :—N.E. winds, freshening; falling bar.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENT

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of her own people and their interests. And it is clear that China can hardly be entrusted with the maintenance of order in her own territory, it naturally devolves upon Japan to carefully consider the matter. The Japanese declaration as to the policing of Manchuria, the Nippon thinks, seems to betray a lack of definite thought on the part of the Government.

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CHINESE MINISTER GIVES AMERI- CAN REPRESENTATIVE THE LIE.

The San Francisco Chronicle of April 17th
(day before the earthquake) says the Chinese
Minister is killed any chance of a change in
exclusion policy. Following is its dispatch:
Washington, April 16th.—"I consider the
intimation of Mr. Denby... as an emanation
from a fertile imagination rather than a trust-
worthy judgment founded on cold facts."

Sir Chen Tung Liang, Chinese Minister.
This language appearing in a letter from the
Chinese Minister to John Ford and printed in
the hearings of the House Committee on Foreign
Affairs has aroused intense indignation among
the members of the House and may lead to the
recall of Sir Chen Tung Liang from office. The
letter relates to the enforcement of the Chinese
exclusion act and was presented by Ford to the
committee for the purpose of influencing legisla-
tion on the Chinese question. Ford is secretary
of the American Asiatic Association, which
advocates letting down the bars against Chinese.
The letter appears in full in the committee
hearings, which were made public to-day.

As soon as it was discovered that the Chinese
Minister had employed such language, toward
a member of the House there was a sensation.
The officials of the State Department were
interviewed, but they declined to discuss
what the attitude of the department might be.
They admitted, however, that it was contrary
to diplomatic usage to criticize the legislators
or legislation and that diplomats had been
recolled for off-hand remarks similar to that
committed by Sir Chen Tung Liang. The
Representative Denby dictated a statement
regarding the matter, in which he disclaimed
any personal resentment against the Chinese
Minister, while steadily maintaining the truth
of his assertions. Representative Denby, in his
statement to the committee on March 14th,
alleged that Chinese officials connived with
coolies and others to defeat the exclusion law
by the issuance of bogus certificates, and
in so part of his statement claimed that he had
seen a bundle of certificates signed in blank by
Chinese officials. These statements were called
to the attention of the Chinese Minister by John
Ford, and the Minister's letter followed under
date of April 8th.

When Ford offered the Chinese Minister's
letter to the committee he made no intimation
that it dealt in personalities, and it was not
read in committee. It was filed and sent, with
the stenographic matter, to the Government
printing office, and turned up to-day in the
official report of the hearings. Sir Chen Tung's
letter is in part as follows:

"Imperial Chinese Legation (Washington),
April 8, 1906. My Dear Mr. Ford: I am
in receipt of your letter of yesterday's date in
which you call my attention to certain state-
ments made by Representative Denby on the
floor of the House before the House
Committee on Foreign Affairs on March 14th,
tending to show that the Chinese Government,
or its representatives, connive at the evasion of
the immigration laws of the United States.
Referring to the matter of issuing to Chinese
subjects the certificates prescribed by the United
States laws, Mr. Denby is reported as saying
that the fact that so many of these certificates
are found to be fraudulent is partly due to the
fraud of Chinese officials, that Chinese
officials connive with fraudulent Chinese to let
the laws to get into this country, that China is
a most flagrantly guilty party in the whole
matter.

These are, indeed, serious charges. In
support of them Mr. Denby only makes the
assertion that he has seen a bundle, which was
presented to some unnamed committee of the
United States, said to contain these certificates
signed in blank by some unnamed officials.
Evidently he tries to convey the impression
that this is the usual method of procedure with
Chinese officials in this matter.

Now, what are the facts? There is in the
files of this legation a copy of every certificate
that has ever been issued by a proper official in
the province of Kwangtung or that of Fukien.
As soon as a certificate is issued it is the
practice of the officials of the province to
communicate to this legation the information
through the respective Viceroy.
You are aware that most of the
Chinese going abroad come from these pro-
vinces. The number of those coming from other
provinces is insignificant. I enclose herewith
for your information a table showing the number
of certificates issued by the officials of the
provinces of Kwangtung and Fukien to Chinese
subjects departing for the United States
during the three years I have been in charge of this
legation. You will please note that only 327
have received certificates from the Chinese
Government to come to the United States.

But is there any evidence that Chinese
officials have ever issued any fraudulent certificates?
During the three years I have been
in this country as diplomatic representative of
the Chinese Government no case of this
character has ever been brought officially to my
notice, to the best of my recollection. The

inference is, therefore, plain that Chinese officials cannot be blamed for frauds of this kind. Consequently I consider the intimation of Mr. Denby, that, but for the vigilance of the immigration officers, these would have been a traffic bringing in illegal Chinese which would have enriched thousands of officials, and our country would have overrun with them, as there had been no exclusion laws, as an emanation from a fertile imagination rather than a trustworthy judgment founded on cold facts.

Yours sincerely, Chen Tung Liang, Chinese Minister.

Whether this letter will cause the Chinese
Minister to lose his head or not it has aroused
such resentment among the members of Con-
gress that the opinion is now expressed that
there cannot be any legislation on Chinese
exclusion. The death knell of any attempt to
"liberalize" the exclusion laws was rung when
the representative of the Chinese Government
thus attempted to interfere with legislation.
The Calif. rain delegation felt the influence of
this interference during the previous session,
but were never able to prove that China was
officially taking a hand in trying to shape
legislation. They are delighted with to-day's
exposure. One of them said: "We're willing
to let the matter drop where it is. Sir Chen
Tung Liang (Cheng) has done us great service
and so we'll not ask for his recall."

Representative Denby, in a dictated state-
ment to-day, says: "I have had my attention
called to the letter of the Chinese Minister,
though I did not know its contents before it
was published in the hearings of the sub-
committee of the Committee on Foreign Affairs."
"It was to have been expected that his ex-
cellency would not admit that Chinese officials
have been guilty of fraud, because he is the
Chinese Minister."

My statements were based on facts and fair
inference. Every assertion can be easily
proved. The Minister's statement is painfully
truthful, though, I hope, unintentionally, misleading.
First he says that only 327 persons have
received certificates from Chinese officials
during the period under review, basing his
statement on the fact that only that number
have been reported to him, and it is the practice
of officials to communicate officially to the
legation all certificates issued. The records of the
Bureau of Immigration show conclusively
that during the period referred to 897 applicants
bearing certificates issued in China by Chinese
officials presented themselves at various ports
in the United States. Will the Minister admit
that the 368 certificates not reported to him were
fraudulent? He becomes the best witness in
proof of my assertion."

RESTORATION OF YINGKOU.

H. E. the Viceroy Yun Shih-kai is now in
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3. Judicial cases concerning Japanese and
Chinese subjects are to be tried by the Japanese
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the China-Japanese Treaty, the Chinese
authorities must not unnecessarily modify or
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affairs which have been introduced into the
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Capt. Schmidt	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
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PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th June
ZITEN	WEDNESDAY, 4th July
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY, 18th July
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY, 29th August
SACSEN	WEDNESDAY, 12th September

ON WEDNESDAY, the 6th May, at 10 A.M., the steamer "ROON," Captain Meyer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 4th June. Cargo and specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 5th June, and parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 5th June.
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return	\$97 0 0	\$66 0 0	\$36 0 0

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return	\$123 0 0	\$83 0 0	\$49 0 0

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STEAMER	TONS	SAILING DATES
WILLEHAD	4763 tons	TUESDAY, 29th May.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3227 tons	TUESDAY, 29th June.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	3392 tons	TUESDAY, 24th July.

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TO MANILA	\$50	\$30	\$20
TO NEW GUINEA	\$128	\$118	\$118
TO BRISBANE	\$130	\$120	\$118
TO SYDNEY	\$133	\$123	\$118
TO MELBOURNE	\$141	\$131	\$118
TO YOKOHAMA	\$80	\$60	\$40
TO KOBE	\$95	\$75	\$50
TO YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE	\$140	\$100	\$60

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STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, PREUSSEN	Wednesday, 23rd May.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Wednesday, 6th June.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, ZITEN	Wednesday, 6th June.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Wednesday, 6th June.
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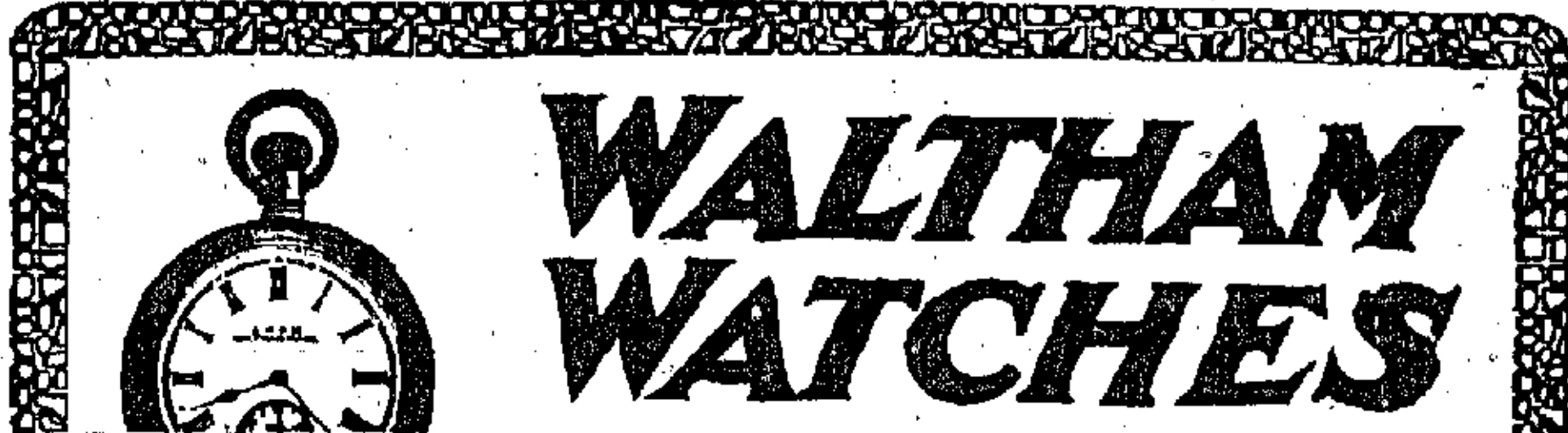
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AMERICA MARU, Japanese str., 3,400, Philip Goings, 15th May—San Francisco 14th April, General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
ANGLO-CANADIAN, British str., 2,680, D. Swan, 20th May—Cardiff 28th March, Ballast—Order.
ANGLO-SAXON, British str., 2,671, Charles Moore, 6th May—Cardiff 16th May, Coal—Order.

ARABIA, German str., 2,768, H. Metzner, 10th May—Portland via Yokohama, Kobe and Moji 9th April, General—Portland & Asiatic S. S. Co.
BANCA, British str., 3,791, J. B. Ferguson, 21st May—Bombay and Singapore 15th May General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
BINH THUAN, French str., 1,636, R. J. J. 15th May—Chinkiang 10th May, Rice and Beans—Bradley & Co.
CAIRO, Norwegian str., 1,381, J. Jansen, 19th May—Saigon 14th May, Rice—Angard, Thoresen & Co.
CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 985, H. Schalkier, 22nd May—Haiphong 18th May and Hobe 21st, General—Jensen & Co.
CHIPSING, British str., 1,109, G. S. Weigall, 16th May—Tientsin 9th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHIVENS, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 19th May—Shanghai 16th May, General—Chinese.

FAIR, Norwegian str., 1,389, G. M. Gundermann, 5th May—Borneo 28th April, Timber—Sander, Wier & Co.
FRUM, German str., 838, R. Wagner, 6th May—Wakamatsu 20th April, Coal—Sander, Wier & Co.
FOOKANG, British str., 1,387, W. E. Saver, 15th May—Calcutta 1st May, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FRITHOF, Norwegian str., 891, H. H. Haraldsen, 19th May—Wuhu and Chinkiang 14th May, Rice and Groundnuts—Simonsen & Co.

GERMANIA, German str., 3,300, Lorenzen, 21st May—Bangkok 17th May, Rice—Jensen & Co.
HALVARD, Norwegian str., 1,070, Carl Andor, 21st May—Wuhu 15th May, Rice—Chinese.
HAROT, French str., 739, Merles, 21st May—Haiphong via Hobe 17th May, General—A. R. Marty.
HANS WAGNER, German str., 965, Kogemann, 3rd May—Hobe 29th April, Sugar—Lauis, Wagner & Co.

HINSA, British str., 1,336, Davies, 17th May—Wuhu and Chinkiang 12th May, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HUE, French str., 795, Goddard, 7th May—Haiphong and Kwangchow 6th May, Pigs and General—A. R. Marty.
LEOPOLD, British str., 2,789, J. G. McKechnie, 15th—Moji 10th May, Coal—Doddwell & Co.

LOMBARDIA, British str., 1,224, W. O. Jones, 15th May—Shanghai 11th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KWEICHOW, British str., 1,240, Hooker, 20th May—Tientsin and Chefoo 13th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KWOONANG, British str., 1,428, P. Baker, 21st May—Shanghai via Swatow 13th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LYBERMOON, German str., 1,925, Th. Johnson, 9th May—Wuhu 5th May, Rice—Simonsen & Co.
NAMANG, British str., 2,391, P. H. Rolfe, 21st May—Calcutta 6th May, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
NANSHAN, British str., 1,491, A. Jones, 20th May—Saigon 16th May, General—Bradley & Co.

NICHOLDALE, British str., 2,234, R. Farley, 20th May—Ponarth 1st April, Coal—Admiralty.
NORDEN, Norwegian str., 1,487, W. Wilhelmson, 21st May—Moji 14th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
PETERARCH, German str., 1,252, R. Halje, 21st May—Saigon 17th May, Rice & General—Sander, Wier & Co.

PROGRESS, German str., 687, H. Palmen, 19th May—Newchwang 12th May, Beans—Simonsen & Co.
PROMETHEUS, Norwegian str., 1,023, O. Kornelissen, 22nd May—Moji 15th May, Coal—Angard, Thoresen & Co.
PROMINENT, Norwegian str., 1,746, J. Christensen, 19th May—Bangkok 12th May, Rice—Order.

PRONTO, Norwegian str., 835, Larsen, 16th May—Newchwang and Chefoo 8th May, General—Angard, Thoresen & Co.
PROTECTOR, Danish str., 572, Silfverberg, 22nd May—Singapore 15th May—Order.
QUANTA, German str., 1,250, Nielsen, 19th May—Saigon 15th May, Rice and Fruit—Sander, Wier & Co.

QUANTA, German str., 1,250, Nielsen, 19th May—Saigon 15th May, Rice and Fruit—Sander, Wier & Co.
RAJAH, German steamer, 1,150, C. Wolf, 13th May—Bangkok, 6th May, General—Chinese.
RUBI, British str., 1,611, R. Almond, 22nd May—Manila 19th May, General—Shevins, Toomes & Co.

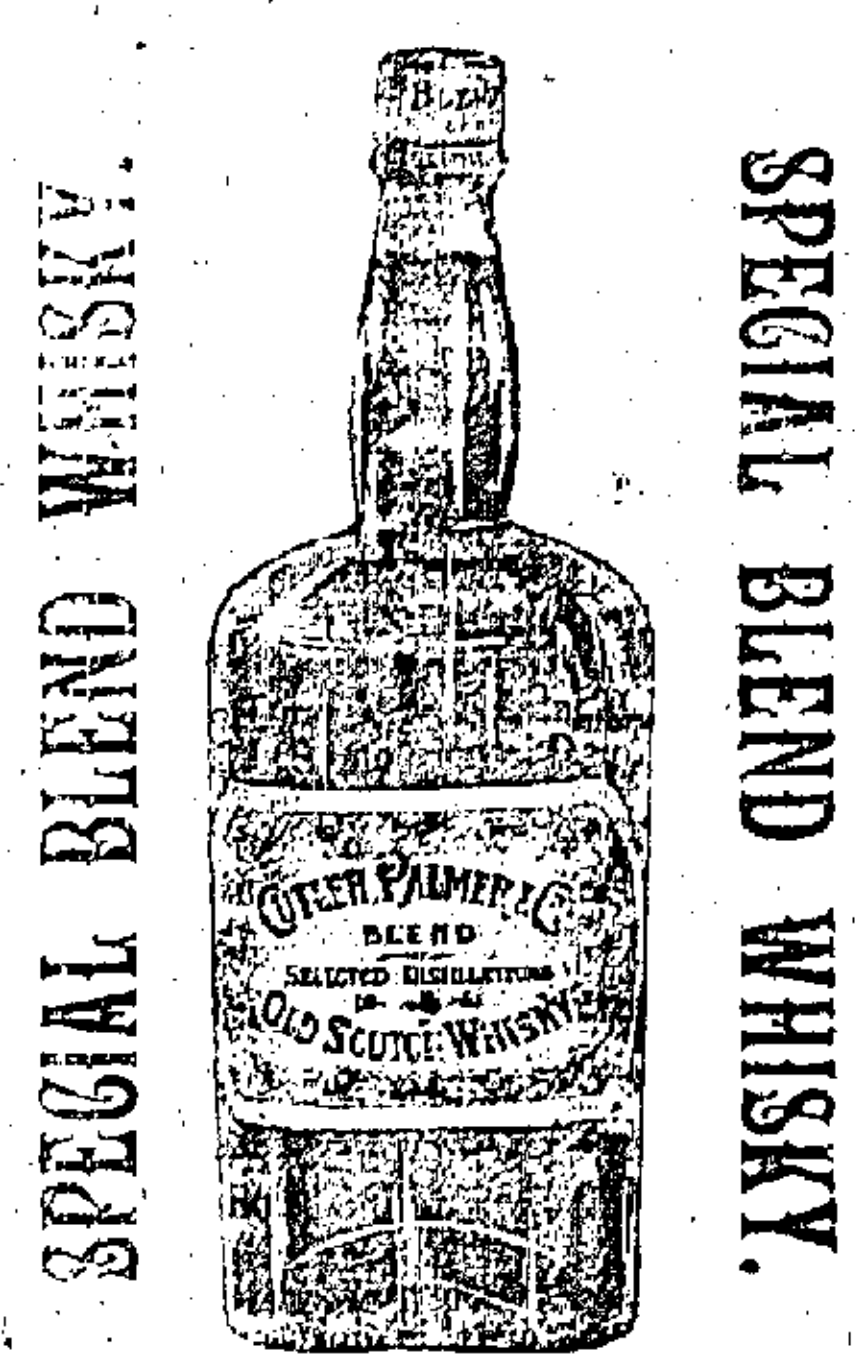
SAINT BIRN, British steamer, 2,541, W. Nicoll, 20th April—Cardiff 8th March, Coal—Government.
SANDER, German str., 988, F. Rehewald, 18th May—Bangkok 11th May, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
SHAOKING, British str., 1,107, Northcombe, 19th May—Shanghai 16th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.

STANDARD, Norwegian str., 894, H. V. Ball, 12th May—Bangkok 6th May, Rice—Angard, Thoresen & Co.
STRATHMORE, British str., 2,295, King, 20th May—Moji 14th May, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
SULLBERG, German str., 782, C. Luppi, 17th May—Amoy 15th May, Ballast—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

TAIPEI, German str., 1,065, Ulbricht, 12th April—Swatow 11th April, Ballast—E. A. Trading.
TAIWAN, British str., 1,010, Martin, 16th May—Bangkok 10th May, Rice—Chinese.
TRENOW, British str., 901, C. J. Kerr, 16th May—Cardiff 29th March, Patent Fuel—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

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Monday, the 4th proximo, being a Public Holiday, the Post Office will be opened from 8 to 12 a.m. only.

There will be no delivery and a collection of letters on Sundays.

All outgoing Mails will be closed at 2 p.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Amoy	Zucent	Thursday, 24th, 9.0 A.M.
Hainan	Heinab	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Singapore and Bangkok	Sancor	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Kobe	Quento	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and	Tjilong	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Manassah		
Amoy	Huangshan	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Ningbo and Shanghai	Kiung	Thursday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Hankow and Hainan	Huan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Huan	Friday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.
Tsingtau, Weihaiwei, Chiao and Tientsin	Karcelow	Friday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.
Hongkong	Rajah	Friday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.

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